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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

The Applicant has received and considered the Office action mailed 16 July 2007. This response is submitted within the fifth month of the statutory period for response. Accordingly, a two month extension of time for response is hereby requested. The appropriate fee is provided herewith. Please amend the application as directed herein.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments discussing the amendments and responding to the Office action begin on page 7.